IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

Ryo Kubota et al.

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For

METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR EXTENDED IN VITRO

CULTURE OF NEURONAL CELLS

Examiner

Stephen Gucker

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to an Office Action containing a Restriction Requirement, dated June 15, 2006, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on August 15, 2006. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-14 (directed to a cell culture system and method of producing the cell culture system), for examination at this time. Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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